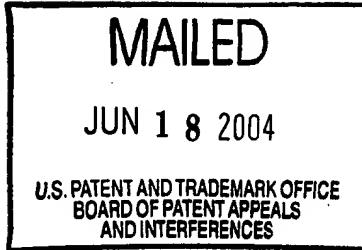


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Ex parte GEORGE KING

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COMMUNICATION

An ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER was mailed on May 17, 2004 (Paper No. 25), which requested that two additional copies of the Appeal Brief filed January 8, 2003 (Paper No. 20) be provided. In response, the examiner has furnished the two requested copies. Accordingly, the case will be assigned in course to a merits panel for consideration and decision on the written record.

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